Liberation

Mr. President,

Liberation and Southern Observatory for Human Rights welcome the report of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, and would like to draw the attention of the High Commissioner and of the Council to the situation in South Yemen.

Millions of the Southerners went into Aden streets in peaceful demonstrations, calling upon the international community to support them to restore their sovereign State, and lastly they were able to liberate nearly the whole South from the northern forces.

Mr. President,

The key solution is that, the Council should use its mandate to ensure the will of the southern people and to help them in their efforts towards eradicating the root causes of counter terrorism and eliminate extremism in the region.

On this regard, we call upon the Council to take the following measures:

- To urge the GCC to abide by their commitments enshrined in the GCC foreign ministers conference held in Abha, June 1994, which clearly stated the position of the GCC against use of force to impose the unification between the two former states.
- 2. In accordance with article 1 of the two International Covenants as a peremptory norm of international law, the Council should urge the UN Security Council to respect the will of the people of the South and enable them to restore their sovereign state.
- 3. To urge Secretary General of the United Nations to take appropriate measures to implement Security Council resolutions 924 and 931 by offering an effective platform to resolve the South-North crisis.
- 4. To appoint a special International Commission of Inquiry to investigate human rights violations in the South.
- 5. To recommend the High Commissioner to include the violations in the South within his report to the 33 session.

Finally, by taking an effective measures regarding the Southern issue, the Southern people can be the main partner in counter terrorism and in establishing security, peace and stability in the whole region.

Thank you, Mr. President.